

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [0081], including the Examiner's Amendment, with the following amended paragraph:

[0081] Referring now to FIG. 14, one possible embodiment of a carrier virtual network system manager 1450 is illustrated. The carrier virtual network system manager 1450 includes a means 1455 for maintaining information regarding layer one resources dedicated to a carrier virtual network. Means 1455 may comprise a suitable data base, electronic records, or other suitable means for maintaining and, optionally, updating information regarding the identity of portions of layer one resources dedicated to a carrier virtual network. Means 1455 may also retain information regarding participating telecommunication networks, particularly as to which participating telecommunication networks may access which carrier virtual networks maintained by the carrier virtual network system manager 1450. Means 1455 may be any type of computer readable or machine readable media with instructions to perform the method illustrated and described herein. One suitable use of machine readable media with a UNIX or Linux server is in ~~with~~ conjunction with Java programming language.